

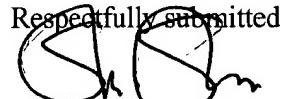
16. (previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein the mixed mass particles are selected from the group of particles consisting of uncolored, multicolored and combinations thereof.

17. (previously presented) The process of claim 1, wherein the rolled linoleum sheet is uncolored or multicolored.

18. (previously presented) The flexible linoleum sheet material of Claim 8, wherein the sheet material is a floor covering.

#### **REMARKS**

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the opportunity to present the correct preliminary amendment to be filed with the RCE. Applicants further intend to file a supplemental Amendment shortly hereafter including further remarks.

Respectfully submitted  


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